



State of California – The Resources Agency
DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND RECREATION

NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

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FROM: Department of Parks and Recreation
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PROJECT TITLE: Trippet Ranch Erosion Repair (14/15-A-14)

LOCATION: Topanga State Park

COUNTY: Los Angeles

DESCRIPTION OF THE NATURE AND PURPOSE OF PROJECT:

This project will repair drainage outflows from the Trippet Ranch parking lot. Remove unnatural materials in erosion gully. Import rock and soil from local sites in Eastern Santa Monica Mountains to fill erosion channels. Native rock and dirt fill material would be dumped into erosion zones from the top. Small bulldozer would push fill down into erosion channel. Heavy equipment would be used to compact fill materials. Contour filled gorge back to natural slope of ravine.

Once fill is complete, extend drainage pipe/culvert down ravine slope to bottom of drainage. Place rocks at outflowpoint of pipes/culverts to disperse force of water. Cover new fill material with erosion matting and coirs (coconut fiber netting). Import native dead and down vegetation to mulch over erosion matting. Erosion matting will be natural material that will decompose on site. Seed native plants and plant native oaks to restoration sites.

PUBLIC AGENCY APPROVING THE PROJECT: California Department of Parks and Recreation

NAME OF DIVISION OR DISTRICT CARRYING OUT THE PROJECT: Angeles

EXEMPT STATUS:

- ☐ Declared Emergency (Section 15269(a))
- ☐ Emergency Project (Section 15269(b) and (c))
- ☐ Statutory Exemption (Section)
- ☒ Categorical Exemption

Class: 1, 4 Section(s): 15301 15304

REASONS WHY PROJECT IS EXEMPT: No potential for significant impact to the environment is anticipated in compliance with CEQA §15300.2. If the project is implemented as indicated within the project description including comments provided by CDPR specialists, then it is exempt under CEQA §15301 – Existing Facilities, and §15304 – Minor Alterations to Land. The action falls under the Departmental List of Exempt activities according to CEQA §15300.4 as:

- "Restoration or rehabilitation of deteriorated facilities" and "Landscape plant replacement" (Class 1, Section 15301); and
- "Grading on land with a slope of less than 10 percent" and "Filling of earth into previously excavated land with material compatible with the natural features of the site" (Class 4, Section 15304)

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